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INFORMATIONAL NOTICE

TO: Participating Durable Medical Equipment and Supply Providers

RE: Policy Changes Regarding Oxygen and Respiratory Care Services

As a result of Public Act 93-841, **effective January 1, 2005**, the department will provide for the purchase of durable medical equipment used for the purpose of respiratory care. Any new prior approval requests for respiratory equipment received after January 1, 2005, will be reviewed on a rent-to-purchase basis. The department will continue to honor cases that are on a rental basis only until the prior approval end date has been reached. Durable medical equipment that requires ongoing maintenance and is used in the delivery of oxygen and respiratory care services (ventilators/oxygen concentrators) will continue to be reimbursed on a rental basis only.

This notice includes a list of the HCPC codes that will be reimbursed on a rent-to-purchase basis and a list of HCPC codes that will be covered on a rental only basis. Equipment reimbursed on a rent-to-purchase basis will be considered purchased after 10 months, except for apnea monitors (HCPC codes E0618 and E0619), which will be purchased following 12 months of rental.

The department will pay for repairs of respiratory equipment that is purchased and becomes patient owned. Refer to the Handbook for Providers of Medical Equipment and Supplies Topic M-210.4 for the department's policies on repairs to equipment and items owned by the patient at http://www.dpaillinois.com/handbooks/chapter200.html>.

Providers wishing to receive e-mail notification, when new provider information has been posted by the department, may register at the following IDPA Web sites:

http://www.dpaillinois.com/provrel/ or http://www.ildpa.com/provrel/

Questions regarding this notice should be directed to the Bureau of Comprehensive Health Services toll-free at 1-877-782-5565.

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Effective January 1, 2005

Respiratory Care Durable Medical Equipment Reimbursed on a Rent-to-Purchase Basis

HCPC Code	Description
A9999	Respiratory Suction Pump (Back Up)
E0425	Oxygen Compressed Gas – Stationary
E0431	Oxygen Compressed Gas – Portable with humidifier tubing, mask/cannula
E0445	Oximeter Device
E0470	BiPap without Back Up Rate
E0471	BiPap with Back Up Rate, Non-Invasive
E0472	BiPAP with Back Up Rate, Invasive
E0480	Cough Stimulator Device
E0482	Cough Stimulator Device
E0500	IPPB Machine
E0550	Humidifier, Durable for Extensive Supplemental Humidification
E0562	Humidifier, Heated, for CPAP/BiPAP
E0565	Compressor, Air Power Source
E0574	Nebulizer, Ultrasonic, Small Volume
E0575	Nebulizer, Ultrasonic, Large Volume
E0600	Respiratory Suction Pump (Primary)
E0601	CPAP Unit
E0618	Apnea Monitor, without recording
E0619	Apnea Monitor, with recording
E1372	Humidifier Accessory; External Heater

Respiratory Care Durable Medical Equipment Reimbursed on a Rental Only Basis

HCPC Code	Description
A9900	Ventilator (Back Up)
E0434	Oxygen Liquid Portable with humidifier tubing, mask/cannula
E0439	Oxygen Liquid Stationary with humidifier tubing, mask/cannula
E0450	Volume Ventilator
E0454	Pressure Ventilator (Code obsolete 12/31/04)
E0460	Negative Pressure Ventilator
E0461	Stationery/Portable Ventilator
E0463	Pressure/Volume Ventilator Invasive Interface
E0464	Pressure/Volume Ventilator Non-invasive Interface
E1390	Oxygen Concentrator
S8183	Humidifier Heated User with vent dual servo control with temp monitor
	(Code obsolete 12/31/04)